A COMPUTING DEVICE THAT SECURELY RUNS AUTHORIZED SOFTWARE

5 ## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A computing device for securely executing authorized code includes a protected memory for storing authorized code, which contains an original digital signature, and a processor in signal communication with the protected memory for preparing to execute code from the protected memory by

10 verifying that a digital signature contained in the code is original in accordance with a public key, and if the original digital signature is verified, then branching to a copy of the authorized code in the protected memory to begin execution.